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**DENTAL APPLIANCE**"

Mail Stop AMENDMENT **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT for the aboveidentified application in response to the Office Action dated April 28, 2005.

> × No additional fee is required.

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	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	82	MINUS	82	X 0	X 25.00 X 50.00	0
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Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				() YES	\$180.00 \$360.00 ONE TIME	0
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Acct. No. 50-0595. <u>A duplicate of this sheet is</u> ☒. enclosed for this purpose.

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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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#### Sir:

This Response is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 28, 2005. In the Office Action, the Patent Office required restriction of the claims of the application to one of the following species: Species I directed to an appliance with adhesive layer; Species II directed to an appliance with sockets formed of soft plastic/base and margins stiff plastic; Species III directed to an appliance with front of soft material and rear of stiffer material; Species IV directed to an appliance with hinge or hinge mechanism; Species V directed to appliance with extended lingual tabs; Species VI directed to an appliance with adhesive in the sockets; Species VII directed to an appliance with a reline material; Species VIII directed to an appliance that is thicker at the second end; Species IX directed to an appliance with wedges; Species X directed to an appliance with hinge that is more rigid than upper and lower bases; and Species XI directed to an appliance with preformed socket and customized socket.

In response to the election of invention and species requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121, Applicant elects herewith, with traverse, the invention of Species VII. Moreover, Applicant submits that Claims 1-53 and 57-70 are readable on Species VII.

Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1-53 and 57-70 of the application are in allowable form and respectfully solicits allowance of the same. No fee is due for submission of this Response. If, however, any fees are due and owing for submission of this Response, Applicant authorizes the Patent Office to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0595. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for this purpose.

Respect fully submitted,

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